Mr. K. Subbaraya Chetty.—There are certain communities giving free boarding, books etc., to deserving students. The very fact that they are admitted in the boarding home shows that they are unable to pay any fees. I, therefore, request that the percentage of freeships may be raised and students fed in boarding homes admitted as free students. Of course, poverty and merit should be the guiding principles. The Schools and Colleges may admit those students free on the recommendation of the trustees.

SUBJECT No. 115.

Conversion of Aided A. V. Schools into Government Schools.

Messrs. V. Bandiah and Lakshmikantha Bhattar, Nanjangud Taluk.

Mr. Lakshmikantha Bhattar.—In Government Anglo-Vernacular Schools, education is given free. It was promised that this concession would be shown to aided A. V. Schools also. We request that necessary orders may be passed.

Inspector-General of Education.—The matter is under the consideration of Government.

Dewan.—Under consideration. Early orders will issue.

SUBJECT No 116.

Establishment of Rural A. V. Schools.

Messrs. (1) Nagalingiah, Shikarpur Taluk and (2) N. Srinivasiengar, Seringapatam Taluk.

Mr. N. Srinivasiengar.—In many of the rural A.-V. Schools, English is taught only up to the 3rd standard. This short course will not give the boys any knowledge of English. In some of the places however, at the request of the local men, the teachers give instruction up to the Lower Secondary Standard and the results achieved in this direction have proved to be appreciable. It is, therefore, desirable that all villages having a population of over 2,000 and all hobli head-quarters should have A. V. Schools so that the boys may be trained for the Lower Secondary Examination. If this is done, many of the boys will be saved the trouble of going to distant places for the purpose of study.

First Member of Council.—According to the Educational Memorandum, 600 A. V. Schools are to be established in rural places. If the scheme comes into force, gradually there will be no difficulty.

SUBJECT No. 117.

Abolition of the recovery of fees in village A. V. Schools.

Messrs.(1) H. Manjaiya, Channarayapatna Taluk and Tirumalagiri Gowda, Hassan District Board and (2) Halappa Gowda, Channagiri Taluk.

Mr. H. Manjaiya.—Fees are still levied in aided A. V. Schools in villages although they are abolished in the taluk and district A. V. Schools. In the interests of the development of primary education in rural parts, the payment of fees in the aided schools may be abolished.

Inspector-General of Education.—Orders have already been issued in the matter.